

MONTANA STATE PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

Meeting Date: December 17, 2014

Agenda Item: Capital Project Expenditures – Recent Costs Over \$5,000

Division: Parks

Action Needed: Approval

Time Needed on Agenda for this Presentation: 10 min.

Background (Brief description of the issue, decision to be made, history, etc.):

Per the Parks and Recreation Board Policy adopted in December 2013, Board approval is required for unanticipated expenses exceeding \$5,000 within the Parks Capital Program. With the 2014 construction season reaching its conclusion, there have been several instances which have resulting in individual capital projects incurring additional costs. The projects are;

- Travelers' Rest SP entrance road and parking area paving; waterline extension; +\$35,819.
- West Shore SP construction of an entrance station; electrical service; paving; +\$11,225.
- Placid Lake SP addition to the boat trailer parking area; +\$26,000.
- Bannack SP emergency boiler replacement (\$8,350); town site flood mitigation analysis (\$10,545).
- First Peoples Buffalo Jump SP interior lighting retrofits/system replacements (up to \$40,000).

Additional explanation of the cost increases will be provided at the December 17th Board meeting.

Public Involvement Process & Results (Brief description of the type of public involvement and summary of what we heard from the public):

No public involvement is necessary or planned concerning the funding of these capital projects.

Alternatives and Analysis (Brief description of alternative solutions with analysis of the pros and cons of each):

Alt. #1 – approval of incurred additional expenses for the capital construction projects.

Alt. #2 – modified approval for the expenditure of additional funds on the projects.

Agency Recommendation and Rationale (Brief description of our recommendation to the Board and the reasons for it):

It is recommended that the Board approve the additional costs for the added work and/or changed conditions for these capital projects undertaken during the 2014 construction season.

Proposed Motion (Draft language the Board could use to adopt the agency recommendation):

I move the Parks Board approve the Parks Division's need to commit additional capital funds to these projects in order to complete them in a timely manner and address the situations that occurred during the course of the projects.